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**Box PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: New U.S. Patent Appln.  
Our Ref: 381NP/50859

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Hiroshi SAKAMOTO, Toshimichi MINOWA, Takashi OKADA, Mitsuo KAYANO, Tatsuya OCHI, Hiroshi KUROIWA, Masahiko IBAMOTO

entitled: **POWER TRANSMISSION APPARATUS FOR AUTOMOBILE**

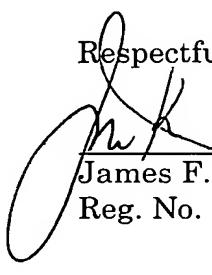
Enclosed are:

1. Specification, including 9 claims (pages 65, plus specification front page).
2. 19 Sheets of X Formal \_ Informal drawings showing Figs. 1-20
3. Preliminary Amendment (18 pages).
4. X Declaration and Power of Attorney (**executed**).
5. Assignment of the invention to Hitachi, Ltd.
6. Certified copy of Priority Document 2001-184205, filed in Japan, on June 19, 2001, the priority of which is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55.
7. X Information Disclosure Statement w/ 1 reference.
8. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Basic Fee		\$370/740	= \$740.00					
Total Claims	<u>9</u>	-	20	=	<u>0</u>	x	\$9/18	= \$
Independent Claims	<u>8</u>	-	3	=	<u>5</u>	x	\$42/84	= \$420.00
Multiple Dependent Claim Presented							\$140/280	= \$
Total Filing Fee								<u>\$1160.00</u>

Two checks in the amount of \$1160.00 for the filing fee and \$40.00 for the assignment recording fee are enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket No. 381NP/50859). A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Title: POWER TRANSMISSION APPARATUS FOR AUTOMOBILE

CLAIM FOR PRIORITY UNDER 35 U.S.C. §119

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Sir:

The benefit of the filing date of prior foreign application No. 2001-184205, filed in Japan, on June 19, 2001, is hereby requested and the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 is hereby claimed.

In support of this claim, filed herewith is a certified copy of the original foreign application.

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